

IN SOUTH AFRICAN GOLD MINE.



A rock drill in a mine in the Rand.

GAVE ROAD TO AFRICA

JAMES STEVENSON, SCOTCHMAN, DONATED \$25,000 FOR WORK.

Route Lies Between North End of Lake Nyassa and South End of Lake Tanganyika, Distance of 211 Miles.

London.—James Stevenson, a wealthy Scotchman, gave \$25,000 to build a road between the north end of Lake Nyassa and the south end of Lake Tanganyika in Central Africa about 25 years ago. He was convinced that nothing would help more to develop Africa than good highways.

It took two years to build the road, and it was well built. Its length is 211 miles. Apart from the great usefulness of the road the white men there have always said that it has been a powerful civilizing agency.

It has helped to accustom the natives of that densely populated region to work for the white, and to use calico and other European articles. The work of construction was the first instance on a large scale of the utilization of native labor in Central Africa. Many trained laborers now live along the road and engage in transport service between the two great lakes.

This highway is known as the Stevenson road. Mr. Chrapkowsky, an official in the German service, who recently traveled over the road, has written an interesting account of it.

He says that though nothing has been done to maintain the road built 25 years ago, it is still, with the single exception of the road between Victoria Nyassa and Tanganyika, the best highway in Central Africa. As nothing has been done to maintain the road, it is now covered with grass, but travelers say this is really an advantage, as the vegetation has helped to keep the road from washing, and it is also better for the feet of the carriers, who dislike to walk on those stretches where there is no grass, for it is as hard as stone and hurts their feet.

The usefulness of the road is proved by the fact that porters carrying 60 pounds on their backs make an average of 20 miles a day, while the usual journey is only ten miles. The road passes entirely through British territory, and the government has erected a station every 20 miles where caravans may spend the night.

There is provision at each station to put all the freight under cover, comfortable brick and concrete houses afford excellent conditions for a good night's rest, and there are cookhouses where the meals of the caravan are prepared. One of the neighboring chiefs is held responsible for the cleanliness and good order of each station. He receives a monthly salary of a few shillings from the government, and a few yards of calico from each caravan passing over the route.

Strange Bird Is Shot. Knoxville, Tenn.—Inhabitants in the region of Zion's Mill, Lee county, Virginia, are greatly puzzled over the discovery of a strange bird in the mountains near by. J. F. Whit, a merchant of that place. The bird is of great size, measuring nine feet from tip to tip. The feathers are perfectly white, except the tips of the wings, which are black.

Its head and bill are 18 inches in length, its webbed feet are seven inches across. A great pouch under its bill holds a gallon of water and this gives the idea that the bird must be of the pelican family, found in southern waters. It is supposed that the bird was driven to the north by a storm and lost its bearings. It will be brought here, mounted and exhibited.

Says Sea Leaks Cause Quakes. Montgomery City, Mo.—Dr. Thomas Jefferson Jackson See, astronomer of the United States Naval Observatory at Mare Island, Cal., now in this city visiting his old boyhood home, says he has discovered the one common cause of earthquakes—the leakage of the ocean beneath the earth's crust. He points out that the chief danger of these agitations is along the seacoast.

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Time Limit Expires To-day. Columbus, O., July 16.—To-day is the last day on which county party committees may file with the secretary of state nominations for appointments to the county boards of elections, which are required by law to be made by August 1. At noon Monday there were still 11 counties in which the republicans had not nominated and three in which the democrats were delinquent. If any county has not nominated by the close of business to-day Secretary Thompson will be authorized to make his own selections.

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NAMES SHIRT WAIST INSPECTOR.

Mayor Busse, of Chicago, Appoints Female Garment Critics.

Chicago.—A "shirt-waist inspector" is the latest addition to the city hall pay roll. Just what the remuneration and the duties of the inspector are to be no one exactly knows, but because Mrs. Ida Gross is displaced with a 69-cent shirt waist she purchased at a state street department store, the inspector was appointed. Louis M. Featherstone, whose knowledge of the "peekaboo" and other shirt waists is said to be above reproach, is the first "inspector."

His appointment was made because Mayor Busse and the other heads of the city hall are too gallant to see one of the fair sex in trouble.

Monday afternoon, being bargain day, Mrs. Gross purchased a shirt waist that attracted her attention in a store. After taking it home her ideas changed, and she returned it and asked that her money be refunded.

A polite refusal followed, with the explanation that the waist was slightly soiled. If Mrs. Gross would pay to have it laundered the company would be glad to refund the difference, she was told.

Appeals to the managers of the store proved fruitless; they gave the same reply. Having heard that Mayor Busse is a friend of those in trouble, Mrs. Gross told him her story and asked his aid.

"I will appoint a special 'shirt waist' inspector," he exclaimed. "Here, Featherstone, you know all about shirt waists, don't you?"

"Surely," replied the unsuspecting Featherstone. "Peekaboo, fancy and plain. Linen, calico or silk. Plaited—"

"That's enough. You are now the official shirt waist inspector for the city of Chicago. Look into this."

OLD CUSTOM FROM GERMANY.

Goshenhoppen Reformed Church Decorates 2,000 Graves.

Pennsburg, Pa.—A religious observance altogether new in southeastern Pennsylvania, and probably conducted for the first time in the United States, took place the other day at the New Goshenhoppen Reformed church. It was a service in memory of the dead, and the principal feature was the decoration of 2,000 graves in the graveyard with flowers.

The idea was suggested to Rev. C. M. De Long, pastor, when he visited Nuremberg, Germany, some years ago. One Sunday in June nearly the whole populace assembled in the cemeteries, placed flowers on the graves and then attended religious service.

All afternoon and next morning until ten o'clock the members of the congregation brought great quantities of flowers to the churchyard and placed them on the graves. When the time arrived for beginning the services the great expanse of flower-decked graves presented a scene of rare beauty. An appropriate sermon was preached by Rev. Mr. De Long.

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Trolley Road Will Branch Out.

Findlay, O., July 16.—Plans have been completed whereby the Toledo Urban & Interurban trolley line will be extended from Findlay to Larue via Kenton and with connections at the latter place, making a direct and new trolley line from Toledo to Columbus. It will parallel the Toledo & Ohio Central from Toledo to Kenton.

Rejects Dan Hanna's Offer. Columbus, O., July 16.—State Highway Commissioner Huston on Monday rejected Dan R. Hanna's proposition to pay the state's share of the cost of constructing a road from Kent to his farm, on the ground that Portage county has already been awarded its share of road building allowed by the state law for the current year.

One Militiaman Stabs Another. Portsmouth, O., July 16.—Before Company G, of Manchester, left here Monday for Port Clinton, John Hines and Harry Currie were principals in a serious stabbing affray. Hines stabbed Currie near the heart and Currie is in serious condition. Hines was placed under military arrest. A trivial matter caused the cutting.

A Legislator Dies. Columbus, O., July 16.—On being advised of the death of Dr. John H. Criswell, the member of the Ohio house of representatives from Marion county, Speaker Pro Tem, Eagleson authorized the appointment of a committee of nine members to attend the funeral, which is to be held at Marion to-day.

A Typhoid Epidemic at Canton. Canton, O., July 16.—Fifty cases of typhoid fever are reported in the southwestern section of the city, and three deaths occurred within 48 hours. Water and milk samples have been taken to a Cleveland doctor for examination.

Approves Public School Rifle Practice. Oyster Bay, N. Y., July 16.—President Roosevelt has put his approval on public school rifle practice. In a letter of congratulation to Ambrose Scherfberg, of Brooklyn, winner of the shooting trophy of the Public School Athletic league, he takes occasion to encourage the system of rifle practice inaugurated by Gen. Wingate, retired.

Alleged Rioters are Arrested. Steubenville, O., July 16.—No more riots are expected at the mines of the United States Coal Co. at Plum Run, as the men who were at the bottom of it will be kept prisoners until the trouble has settled down. Ten foreigners are under arrest. One of them is Joe Czolgosz. It is claimed that he is the ringleader of an anarchistic element that has its headquarters about the United States company's mines. Czolgosz admits his name, but says that he is not related to the McKinley assassin.

Can Make Low Fares. Columbus, O., July 16.—Judge Bigger, in common pleas court, overruled the state railway commission in the application of the Hocking Valley railway for an injunction and holds, in his decision, that railroads can fix any rate below the legal rate of two cents a mile to meet competition. The railway commission, on application of the citizens of Logan, ordered the Hocking Valley to discontinue its low fares between Lancaster and Columbus, where it has opposition from a traction line, or make its fares in the state uniform. The railroad sued to enjoin the commission and it was granted.

Wertz Law is Declared Invalid. Columbus, July 16.—The Wertz law was declared unconstitutional Monday by Judge Bigger, on the ground that it is not of universal operation and that it is retroactive. It will be appealed. The law provides that not more than 10 per cent. of the number of men employed in any trade in the state can be used in the penitentiary for like labor. The Baldwin Forging Co. contracted for men in prison and the penitentiary officials threatened to reduce the number of men and the company brought suit to enforce the contract.

NON-RESIDENT NOTICE. NON-RESIDENT hr hrd hr hrd Haines & Co. Jacob Miller, owner of Lot No. 3594, Non-resident owner of property as above described, will take notice that on the 27th day of June, 1907, the Council of the City of Marion, Ohio, passed a resolution to construct a sanitary sewer and cellar drain on Haines Avenue, from Church street to Mt. Vernon Avenue, in accordance with the plans, specifications and profiles on file in the office of the department of Public Service.

The cost of said improvement will be assessed upon said lots if not constructed within thirty days as required by law.

By order of the Council of the City of Marion, Ohio. City Clerk.

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THE REXALL STORE

Phone 15. Messenger Service FREE.

A son was born this morning to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ackerman, work. The injured man was taken to the Central Emergency hospital where his arm was set. He is recovering nicely today, although he employed in the Farbanks Steam Shovel company's shop, had his for some time.

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